

Grand Traverse Hockey Association

Executive Board Meeting

May 9, 2011

Members Present: Steve Peacock, Jerry Jenkins, Dianne Jurica, Chad Fournier, Jeff Armour, Jerry Ruskowski, Julie Ringwelski, Dallas Drake, Amy Drake.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Secretary's Report

Jenkins motioned to approve March minutes. Jurica seconded. Approved.

Treasurer's Report

No report

Director of Hockey Report

Travel tryouts had an excellent turnout. The preregistration worked well.

Fall hockey fees are now on website. Fall hockey registration is set to open on May 15th.

Kalkaska is getting a "Jr. A" hockey team.

Dallas & Amy Drake will both be at Resort for the Annual MAHA meeting this year.

Others may go and sit in on meetings if they wish.

Travel tryouts went well for 1st group of girls hockey (U-19). U16 tryouts coming up. Steve Dzierwa is in charge.

Spring league went great. There is much interest in another session in the same format of 3x3 - possibly this summer. This format was very cost feasible for GTHA.

ADM is up 15% in Michigan

In regards to travel- need to decide if true minor and major teams will be chosen and advertised that way. Some situations arose this year.

Executive Vice President Report

Two sponsors from last year still owe money. Jenkins will work on collecting fee.

Possible New Fundraising ideas:

- *Buffalo Wild Wings/eat in/15% sponsor profit,
- *Schwans (% of order)
- *Merchandise on website
- *Click and earn on website
- *Hotel sponsorship

Situation came up where an individual approached business for sponsoring an individual player (not a team) Caused some discussion between individual and GTHA. GTHA needs to set parameters of which business may be approached to sponsor individuals and which may not. List of "team sponsors" (along with a letter) should be posted on the website so parents/others know which businesses are "off-limits".

Ruskowski handed out sheet full of his ideas for upcoming year. Discussion followed on a few of the ideas:

- Listing minority status on registration to possibly use for grant information (Amy will try to add to registration site)
- Tournaments named after Company based on sponsorship amount.

Presidents Report

Annual meeting in April went smoothly. Introduced new board members to current board members.

House Vice President Report

Jurica reported no meeting was held in May. She is still working on filling positions. Brooks Millar will be the Mites A/B rep, she still needs many reps and many positions filled.

Referee-In-Chief Report

No issues to report. The reminder to parents and teams about Cherry Cup behavior seemed to help.

Other:

Ringwelski reported that a few people had a hard time hearing Dallas's speech at Annual Meeting but wanted to know what he said. Amy will get me "content of speech" to post on website.

Meeting Dates for 2011-2012:

June 13

July 18

August 8

September 19

October 10

November 14

December 12

Jan 16

Feb 13

March 12

April 9 (Monday... Annual meeting ** Subject to change will verify later)

Floor

Guest (Scott H?) was there to discuss U8 Girls Issues.

Adjournment

Armour made motion to adjourn meeting. Jenkins seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Julie Ringwelski